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RIVER BASIN WATER QUALITY PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

1. FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION, THE FOLLOWING LETTER HAS BEEN
RECEIVED BY PROJECT LEADER WALTER GROSZYK FROM HIS SOVIET
COUNTERPART V. R. LOZANSKIY:

APRIL 17, 1978 02.02-11

DEAR DR. GROSZYK:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN FOR CONDUCTING WORK UNDER PROJECT
02.02-11, A DELEGATION OF US SPECIALISTS IS SLATED TO VISIT
THE SOVIET UNION IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR. CONSIDERING THAT THE
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LAST MEETING OF SOVIET AND AMERICAN SCIENTISTS (ORIGINALLY
PLANNED FOR 1977) WAS HELD IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR, I PRO-
POSE CHANGING THE DATE OF THE NEXT VISIT OF AN AMERICAN DELE-
GATION TO THE USSR TO SEPTEMBER 3-23. THIS WOULD INCREASE
THE SPAN OF TIME BETWEEN THE TWO MEETINGS, WHICH IS NECESSARY
FOR PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM OF JOINT WORK
IN OUR COUNTRY. IT WOULD ALSO PERMIT US TO TRANSLATE AND

STUDY THE MATERIALS ON THE CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN WHICH YOU HAVE SENT TO ME.

I HOPE THAT MY SUGGESTION WILL MEET WITH THE APPROVAL OF YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES AND THAT THIS WILL NOT PRESENT DIFFICULTIES FOR CARRYING OUT YOUR PLANS FOR 1978.

AS PROVIDED FOR IN OUR PLAN, THREE SOVIET SPECIALISTS WILL VISIT THE US IN JULY OF THIS YEAR. WE WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE A PROGRAM OF WORK WHICH THE SOVIET DELEGATION IS TO CARRY OUT IN YOUR COUNTRY IN ADVANCE. THIS WILL PERMIT US TO BETTER PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THIS MEETING AND THEREBY MAKE THIS VISIT MORE FRUITFUL.

I WOULD LIKE ONCE AGAIN TO THANK YOU FOR THE MATERIALS ON THE CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

V. R. LOZANSKIY

2. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM GROSZYK TO LOZANSKIY WITH COPY TO KAZAKOV:

MAY 12, 1978 02.02-11

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DR. V. R. LOZANSKIY
DIRECTOR, ALL-UNION SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
INSTITUTE OF WATER PROTECTION (VNIIVO)
ULITSA BAKULINA, 6
KHARKOV, 59

DEAR DR. LOZANSKIY:

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LETTER OF APRIL 17. I AGREE THAT MORE TIME IS NEEDED IN ORDER TO ADEQUATELY PREPARE THE NECESSARY MATERIAL. I HAVE REVIEWED RON SHARPEN'S AND ED WOOD'S REPORTS ON THEIR SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION LAST JANUARY AND WE HAVE BEGUN WORK ON PREPARING AND FORMATING THE DATA SO THAT YOUR SPECIALISTS CAN COMPLETE THE COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS ON THE CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, UNDERESTIMATED THE TIME AND EFFORT REQUIRED TO DEVELOP THE MATERIAL FOR USE BY YOUR SPECIALISTS AND THUS ARE BEHIND SCHEDULE.

I AGREE THAT THE US SPECIALISTS SHOULD POSTPONE THEIR TRIP AND WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE SOVIET SPECIALISTS ALSO POSTPONE THEIR VISIT. BASED ON OUR EXPECTATIONS OF WHAT HAS TO BE

DONE AND THE TIME PERIOD NECESSARY TO DO IT, I PROPOSE THAT THE US SIDE POSTPONE ITS VISIT UNTIL NO EARLIER THAN OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR. I ALSO SUGGEST FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE SOVIET TRIP AS WELL UNTIL OCTOBER OR PREFERABLY NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR.

I SHALL SEND YOU ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS TO WHEN YOU MAY EXPECT TO RECEIVE THESE DATA AFTER WE MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS IN PREPARING THEM. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF MY PROPOSAL FOR THIS POSTPONEMENT OF THE SOVIET SIDE'S VISIT IS SATISFACTORY TO YOU.

SINCERELY,

WALTER S. GROSZYK
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